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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 28, 2001 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested. A copy of the previously submitted Declaration Under Rule 132 of Orly Ben-Nun-Shaul is also included.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

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